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SUBJECT: "To Speed Up Canning"--Information from home canning specialists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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A busy home canner's version of a well-known couplet goes like this:

"My days are so filled with a number of things,
That I'd like very much to be fitted with wings!"

One way to make your work fly -- say home canning specialists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture--is to organize a plan of canning that cuts out waste motions.

Since many a foresighted homemaker is putting up beans this summer...let's take canning beans as an example. Here are some tips from the canning specialists on how you may snap up the canning of snap beans.

Begin--say the specialists--by organizing your work so that it goes in a continuous flow of motions. In other words...the work moves along in one direction. For the right-handed person...work that moves from right to left goes more rapidly and is the most convenient. If you're left-handed...you'll find the work moves more easily when it goes from left to right.

Back to the bushel basket of beans you're getting ready for canning. If you are right handed, arrange your work so that you sort the beans in a work space at the right of the sink. Next move is to the sink to wash the beans. Then continue to move to the left where you've arranged a space for cutting the beans.

You'll avoid waste motion if you can arrange the work at your range in the same way. That is...if you can continue to move to the left...as you cook the beans...fill the jars...process the jars of beans in the pressure canner...and finally when you set the canned beans on the table to cool.

Sounds like an assembly line...doesn't it? And that's just where the idea came from Homemakers are finding they can adapt many of the efficient methods of industry to speed up their household work.

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